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In re Application of: **Scott S. PEGRUM**
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Title: **High Availability Packet Forwarding Apparatus And Method**
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Mail Stop Amendment

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.